



April 15, 2009

Downtown E-News

E-News is a bi-weekly newsletter full of great events taking place in downtown Kitchener. E-news will keep you in the loop on where to go and what to do in downtown Kitchener. It comes right to your inbox every 2 weeks!

If you have an event you would like to submit, please go to our [event submission page](#) and fill out the form.

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Calling All Volunteers!

Lace Up Your Shoes and Show Off Your City

The tour will be taking place this year on **Saturday May 9th**, and we are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to act as group leaders, and provide an orientation walking tour of downtown Kitchener.

These tours help to familiarize students with all of the treasures that downtown Kitchener has to offer.

Those interested in volunteering should possess the following:

- Basic knowledge of downtown Kitchener.
- Strong communication skills and the ability to provide exceptional customer service as a representative of Kitchener.
- Punctuality and commitment necessary to follow through with scheduled tours.
- A high level of comfort working with groups of up to 10 people or more.
- A liking for walking/standing outdoors.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Siobhan at 519-745-3536 or via email at siobhan.delaney@kitchener.ca.

Information/Orientation sessions will be held for all tour guides (dates and times are TBA) during the months of April and May.

Arts, Books & Film

An Evening with Rienzi Cruz, Poet

Poetry reading in an intimate setting with Rienzi Cruz.
Book signing - copies available for purchase.

Wednesday April 15, 2009.

7pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch

Visit www.kpl.org for details.

5 Writers

Their songs....their stories....

Join these award winning singer-songwriters for an intimate evening of song and stories behind their music.

Thursday April 16, 2009.

8pm

The Registry Theatre

Visit www.registrytheatre.com for details and a complete listing of shows.

Friday Night at the KW Art Gallery

A fun, engaging evening of art, live entertainment, food and drinks. Visit the Gallery in a relaxed, social atmosphere, meet local artists (visual artists and live musicians) and engage in the Gallery's current exhibitions.

Friday April 17, 2009.

8:30pm-12:30am

Kitchener Waterloo Art Gallery

Visit www.kwag.on.ca for more information.

KW Symphony Pops Series - Celtic Fire

The Pierre Schryer Band fuses the traditional Celtic styles of Cape Breton, Ireland, and Bluegrass.

Friday April 17 and Saturday April 18, 2009.

8pm

Centre in the Square

Visit www.centre-square.com for ticket information, and a complete listing of performances.

Free Flicks at the KPL

Experience the big screen in our 200-seat auditorium.

Saturday April 18, 2009.

Foul Play (No Rating) 116 Minutes

Saturday April 25, 2009.

The Mummy (Rated PG) 125 Minutes

1:30pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch

Visit www.kpl.org for details.

Andy Warhol Sunday Speaker Series

Tom Sokolowski on Andy Warhol camouflage man.

Sunday April 19, 2009.

1:30pm

Wax Nightclub

Call 519-743-5657 for details and to purchase tickets.

Free Public Tour of the KW Art Gallery

A trained Gallery guide will lead you on an in-depth tour of current exhibitions, through thoughtful discussion.

Sunday April 19, 2009.

2pm

Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery

Visit www.kwag.on.ca for details.

Frequent Mutilations

By: Andrew O' Connor

Four semi-ancient reel to reel tape machines play a series of large analog 'tape loops' of different durations. A celebration of one of Canada's longest running audio art programs. The tape loops weave together different sounds and textures to create a slowly evolving composition.

Saturday April 25 - Sunday May 3, 2009.

Various dates and times

Artery Gallery

Visit www.artery.uwaterloo.ca for more information.

KPL Photography Contest Exhibition

View the results of the KPL's photography contest. All entries on display.

Ongoing until Sunday April 26, 2009.

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch

Visit www.kpl.org for details.

Northern Reflections

Northern Reflections is a collection of watercolours, by artist Vic Braun, which 'convey the artists impressions on the theme, each painting similar yet different' says Braun. 'The variety in nature is infinite'.

Ongoing throughout the month of April

Rotunda Gallery, Kitchener City Hall

Call Cheryl York at 519-741-3400 Ext. 3381 for details.

Business

Creating a Diverse Workplace

Learn how to create a diverse workplace in your business, in order to attract and retain the best talent.

Tuesday April 21, 2009.

8am-10am

Delta Kitchener Hotel

Visit www.communitech.ca for details.

Small Business Community Network

With guest speaker: Mike Bierstock, Royal Executive Centre

Meet like-minded small business owners in your area.

Cost: \$20, Members FREE

Wednesday April 22, 2009.

7pm

Waterloo Region Small Business Centre, Kitchener City Hall

Visit www.sbcncanada.org for details.

Earth Day

Green Energy Forum

Alternatives Journal, Canada's leading environmental magazine, to host a forum bringing together green energy advocates and leaders, to discuss the impact of the Green Energy Act on the KW Region.

FREE admission.

Thursday April 16, 2009.

6:30pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch
Call 519-888-4545 for details.

Tim Hortons Community Clean Up

The City of Kitchener, in partnership with the City of Waterloo, the City of Cambridge, and Tim Hortons, needs your help to clean up the community! Come out to Victoria Park and pick up litter. Refreshments, entertainment, prizes, and gift certificates from Tim Hortons will be available!

Saturday April 18, 2009.

10am-12Noon
Victoria Park Pavilion, Victoria Park
Call 519-741-2227 for details.

Earth Week Lunch and Learn

Hear local guest speakers, have a great lunch and enter to win prizes!

Wednesday April 22 - Sunday April 26, 2009.

12Noon - 1pm
Your Kitchener Market
Visit www.kitchenermarket.ca for details.

Save Energy and Access Grants and Incentives

Members of the Regional Energy Efficiency Program (REEP) discuss methods of saving energy, while taking advantage of energy saving grants and incentives.

Wednesday April 22, 2009.

4pm-8pm
Kitchener City Hall Rotunda
Visit www.reepwaterlooregion.ca for more information.

Celebration of Local Food - Gala Dinner

Foodlink Waterloo Region, with Waterloo Region Chefs' Association, will be shining the spotlight on local food, in celebration of Earth Day. A multicourse dinner, incorporating elements of earth, water, air and land will be served, complete with a champagne reception.

\$85 per ticket
\$800 for a table of ten

Thursday April 23, 2009.

6pm - Champagne Reception

7pm - Dinner

Walper Terrace Hotel, Crystal Ballroom

Call 519-513-8998 for details and to purchase tickets.

Bloomin' Earth Eco Fair

Come on out to the Kitchener Market, for the second annual Bloomin Earth Eco Fair. This year's fair will feature independent artists with hand made work, eco friendly demonstrations, craft workshops and activities, and much, much more!

Saturday April 25, 2009.

8am - 2pm

Your Kitchener Market

Visit www.bloominearth.wordpress.com for details.

Family & Kids

Librarians on the Loose at the Childrens Museum

Join the KPL staff for family literacy fun at the Children's Museum during the Andy Warhol exhibit.

Saturday April 18, 2009.

3pm

Waterloo Regional Children's Museum

Visit www.kpl.org for details.

Family Flicks at the KPL

Free famiy entertainment in our 200-seat auditorium. Bring your own snacks or buy a treat from D' Lish Café.

Sunday April 19, 2009.

Bolt (Rated G) 112 Minutes

Sunday April 26, 2009.

Escape to Witch Mountain (Rated G) 97 Minutes

1:30pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch

Visit www.kpl.org for details and a complete listing of children's activities.

Kid's Hop

Bring your toddler out to this one-of-a-kind children's concert that will have them dancing up a storm and rolling with laughter.

Tuesday April 21, 2009.

Erick Traplin

Tuesday April 28, 2009.

Dan the Music Man

11am-12Noon

Your Kitchener Market

Visit www.kitchenermarket.ca for details.

Creative Writing

A workshop for aspiring writers (Grades 3-6). Bring a pencil, notebook and your imagination!

Saturday April 25, 2009.

2:30pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch

Visit www.kpl.org for details, and a complete listing of children's events.

For Seniors

Bits and Bytes Computer Club

Topic: Google chrome and oceans

Members: \$2, Non-members: \$4

Wednesday April 15, 2009.

9:30am - 11:15am

Downtown Community Centre

Call 519-741-2910 for details.

Gardening

Plant a Seed

Celebrate Earth Day and explore 19th century gardening, seed types, and pest control.

Saturday April 25, 2009.

10am - 5pm

Sunday April 26, 2009.

1pm - 5pm

Joseph Schneider Haus
Call 519-742-7752 for details and a listing of additional events.

Urban Agriculture and the Emerging Food System

Hosted by Jodi Koberinski, Exhibit Café

Community shared agriculture and community gardens in Waterloo Region.

Tuesday April 28, 2009.

6:30pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch
Call 519-743-0271 Ext. 255 to register.

Health

Ask the Expert: Thyroid Questions

*With Dr. Ally Prebtani, Endocrinology & Metabolism,
McMaster University*

Symptoms and treatments of a disease that often goes undiagnosed.

Wednesday April 22, 2009.

6:30pm

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch
Visit www.kpl.org for details.

Live from NY's 92nd Street Y: Conquering Breast Cancer

12:30pm-1:45pm

How Bright is the Horizon?

Breast Cancer experts discuss the latest breakthroughs.

2pm - 3pm and 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Health Seminars

Topics include: Risk Factors, Screening, and Treatment

Sunday April 26, 2009.

Kitchener Public Library, Main Branch
Visit www.kpl.org for details.

Live Entertainment

Mark Evans and Co.

Playing live every Wednesday evening, at the Queen Street Commons Café.

Wednesday April 15 and 22, 2009.

6pm

Queen Street Commons Café

Visit www.theworkingcentre.org for details and a complete listing of performances.

Tim Louis

Don't miss Tim Louis live on Wednesday nights. A great jazz vibe and an awesome dinner out, what more could you ask for?

Wednesday April 15 and 22, 2009.

7pm

Boa Nova Restaurant

Visit www.experience-boanova.com for details.

Welly Wednesdays

Every Wednesday night, the Wellington Brewery presents the 'Welly Wednesday' Indie Band Showcase.

Featuring 'The Dirty Love Band', 'The Two Timers', 'The Disguises' and more!

Wednesday April 15 and 22, 2009.

9pm

Victoria Park Boathouse

Visit www.boathousevictoriapark.com for a complete listing of shows.

Just for Laughs Roadshow

Just for Laughs brings more of its funniest alumni to Kitchener, with the 'Just For Laughs Roadshow'! Now in it's sixth year, the Roadshow features four of the best stand-ups straight from the worlds largest and most prestigious comedy event.

Thursday April 16, 2009.

7:30pm

Centre in the Square

Visit www.centre-square.com for details and to purchase tickets.

Adam and Ben Live

Live acoustic music featuring Adam and Ben.

Thursday April 16 and 23, 2009.

9pm

Bobby O' Brien's

Visit www.bobbyobriens.com for a complete listing of events.

The Red Ribbon Players

A mix of fusion, blues, and jazz, the Red Ribbon Players are sure to entertain!

Friday April 17, 2009.

6pm-8pm

Queen Street Commons Café

Visit www.theworkingcentre.org for details and a complete listing of performances.

Terry Clement

Clement has been nominated for a Canadian Comedy Award, as well as a COCA Comedy Artist of the Year Award. He has toured across Canada and the UK performing at comedy clubs, colleges, and 'alternative' comedy venues along the way.

Friday April 17 and Saturday April 18, 2009.

Shows at 8pm and 10pm

Visit www.yukyuks.com for details.

The Go! Music Festival

The Go! Music Festival is two nights of music spread throughout some of the hottest venues in Kitchener-Waterloo.

The festival features all stars, and up and comers from KW's music scene, while also showcasing talent from across the country.

Music styles range from Rock, Pop, Acoustic, Alt-Country, Bluegrass, to Hip Hop, which appeals to a wide range of fans and truly represents the KW music scene today.

Friday April 17 and Saturday April 18, 2009.

Various venues throughout downtown Kitchener and the rest of KW

Visit www.gomusicfestival.ca for complete details.

Live Entertainment at Your Kitchener Market

Join us for performances by local musicians performing international tunes, jazz, country, oldies or classic rock. Relax, grab a bite to eat and enjoy performances by:

Saturday April 18, 2009.

Erick Traplin

Saturday April 25, 2009.

Deb Misener-Jones

11am-1pm

Your Kitchener Market

Visit www.kitchenermarket.ca for details.

The Homewreckers

The Homewreckers bring their eclectic mix of Garage, Indie, and Punk, live to the Victoria Park Boathouse.

Sunday April 19 and 26, 2009.

3pm

Victoria Park Boathouse

Visit www.boathousevictoriapark.com for a complete listing of shows.

Songwriter Tuesday's

Bring your songs, bring your instruments, and bring your friends to the biggest and newest songwriter's event in the Kitchener-Waterloo region.

Hosted by KW singer/songwriter Anthony Gioninazzo, with special guest appearances by some of Ontario's greatest songwriters.

Tuesday April 21 and 28, 2009.

8pm

Bobby O' Brien's

Visit www.bobbyobriens.com for a complete listing of events.

Shawn Klush and the Sweet Inspirations

The world's greatest Elvis tribute artist, Shawn Klush, sings live at Centre in the Square. Accompanying him are 'The Sweet Inspirations', Elvis Presley's original backup singers from 1969-1977.

Wednesday April 22, 2009.

8pm

Centre in the Square

Visit www.centre-square.com for details.**Gord Paynter**

A true rarity in comedy - a blind comedian with great observational insight! His challenge is not a hindrance but a motivating force, and a source of some of the funniest stuff around.

Friday April 24 and Saturday April 25, 2009.

Shows at 8pm and 10pm

Yuk Yuk's Kitchener

Visit www.yukyuks.com for details.**Valdy**

One of Canada's best folk singers/songwriters, Valdy plays live at the Gig Theatre.

Saturday April 25, 2009.

8pm

The Gig Theatre

Call 519-342-6796 for details and ticket information.

Susan Aglukark

Multi JUNO Award winner Susan Aglukark sings live at the Registry Theatre.

Saturday April 25, 2009.

8pm

The Registry Theatre

Visit www.registrytheatre.com for details, and a complete listing of shows.**Diana Krall**

Live at Centre in the Square, Diana Krall will proudly donate \$2 from the sale of each ticket to Heart and Stroke Foundation's 'The Heart Truth Campaign'.

Sunday April 26, 2009.

8pm

Centre in the Square

Visit www.centre-square.com for details and to see a complete listing of performances.

The Tragically Hip

Don't miss The Tragically Hip live at the Centre in the Square, on their 'We Are The Same' Tour.

April 27 - 29, 2009.

8pm

Centre in the Square

Visit www.centre-square.com for details and a complete listing of performances.

Politics

Confederation Club Luncheon featuring Sal Guatieri

Guest speaker Sal Guatieri, Senior Economist with BMO Capital Markets, speaks on economic matters.

Thursday April 16, 2009.

12Noon

Delta Hotel Kitchener

Visit www.confederationclub.ca to register.

Special Events

Spring Lecture Series at the Joseph Schneider Haus

Wednesday April 15, 2009.

7:30pm

The third in the Spring Lecture series invites Rick Haldenby O' Donovan, Director of the School of Architecture at the University of Waterloo, to relate his adventures "Building in the Ruins".

Wednesday April 22, 2009.

7:30pm

Manager Curator Susan Burke reflects on how dress mirrors time and place in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

Admission: \$5.00 per person, per lecture

Call 519-742-7752 for details.

Day of Silence Against Homophobic Violence and Discrimination

AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and Area with tri-Pride, City of Kitchener Youth Services, and OK2BME sponsoring public display of support for gay, lesbian, bisexual, trans, queer, and questioning people in our community.

Friday April 17, 2009.

4:30pm - 5:30pm

Civic Square, Kitchener City Hall

Call 519-570-3687 for details.

Waterloo School of Pharmacy Community Open House

As part of the grand opening celebrations, the School of Pharmacy is holding a Community Open House! Join students, staff and faculty for a family-friendly event featuring demonstrations, displays, and an opportunity to tour the building.

Admission is FREE and the event is open to the public. Onsite parking is limited, please carpool, use public transit, and access city parking lots where possible.

Saturday April 18, 2009.

10am-2pm

University of Waterloo School of Pharmacy,

Downtown Kitchener Health Sciences Campus

Visit www.pharmacy.uwaterloo.ca/documents/PharmacyOpenHouse.pdf

for details.

BOOM

A night of 'Rock and Roll and Brew' to help pay the teachers salaries of a school in Gulu Uganda (www.shelterwakadogo.org), built this past summer, and waiting to open for 90 children in the village of Acoyo in Northern Uganda. Come to dance, eat, check out the silent auction, and lend your support to enable this school to open as soon as possible.

Thursday April 23, 2009.

8pm - 12Midnight

Dallas Nightclub

Email hertapark@hotmail.com for details.

Open Ears Festival of Music and Sound

The 2009 Open Ears Festival of Music and Sound, a project of the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, is a cutting edge biennial event which hits the streets of KW on Friday April

24th.

The festival includes 10 days of multifaceted activities featuring an array of sights and sounds from around the world.

Always a hit with festivalgoers and to those just curious, these free installations and audio artworks can be found in a variety of venues across downtown Kitchener. Playful, meditative and thoughtful, they are places to gather, watch, interact and listen.

Ongoing from Friday April 24 - Sunday May 3, 2009.

Kitchener City Hall and Downtown Kitchener

Visit www.openears.ca for details.

Sports

PWA Golden Opportunities

PWA returns to Elements! Featuring: the Over the Top Rumble, Pure Wrestling Championship, Light Tube Grudge Match, and the Internet championship

VIP Ringside tickets: \$15 in advance

General admission: \$10 in advance

19+ Event

Friday April 17, 2009.

Doors Open at 7pm

Elements Nightclub

Visit www.partytown.ca/elements for details.

Teens

Photography Workshop at the Children's Museum

Learn the basics to shoot like a pro. In this one day photography workshop you will be learning all the tricks of the trade from Judi Douglass of Stone Photography.

Ages 16+

Cost: \$120 plus tax

Pre-registration is required.

Saturday April 18, 2009.

10:30am-4:30pm

Waterloo Regional Children's Museum

Visit www.thechildrensmuseum.ca for details and to register.

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